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## Dear Fellow South Dakotans:

I want to congratulate you on ordering the "Own Your Future" Long-Term Care Planning Kit. By doing so, you have already taken the important first step in planning for your future long-term care needs. As you know, most of us will have a need for long-term care at some point in our lives and these needs can best be met by planning ahead.

The tool kit includes some basic facts about long-term care and describes some things you can do to help plan for your financial, housing, and health care needs as you age. Also included is an audio CD with personal stories from people who have successfully and effectively planned for their long-term care needs.

The keys to owning your future are planning early and wisely, knowing you have options, and taking action. By planning ahead, you have peace of mind, and this in turn leads to a better quality of life for all South Dakotans.

Thank you again for your commitment to owning your future.

Sincerely,

M. Michael Rounds

